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clause (1), sub-clauses (*a*) and (*g*) of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Madras has given his recommendation for the introduction in the Madras Legislative Assembly of the Madras Entertainments Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1958.

(2) MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.

MR. SPEAKER : I have also received a telegram announcing the previous sanction of the President according permission to the introduction of the Madras Essential Articles Control and Requisitioning (Temporary Powers) Amendment Bill, 1958, in the State Legislature.

III.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* DISPUTE BETWEEN ELECTRICITY WORKERS AND THE ELECTRICITY BOARD.

MR. SPEAKER : I have received from the Hon. Member Sri M. Kalyanasundaram notice of an adjournment motion for discussing a matter of urgent public importance, namely, 'the failure of the Government to settle the dispute regarding wages and service conditions, etc., between the electricity workers and the Electricity Board, which has led to a threat of strike in a public utility service, such as electricity system'.

I have to inform the House that matters which are raised by adjournment motions should satisfy two conditions (1) the matter should be a primary concern of the Government and (2) it should not bring in a subject anticipating a possible strike. The strike has not taken place. Whether it will take place or not is another matter. But we should not, by discussing it at this stage, prejudice any settlement of the dispute which may arise later.

Under these circumstances, I rule the motion out of order.

IV.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS ENTERTAINMENTS TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1958.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg leave to introduce the Madras Entertainments Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1958.

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

'That leave be granted for the introduction of the Madras Entertainments Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1958.'

The motion was put and carried and leave was granted.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Speaker, I introduce the Bill.

(2) THE MADRAS ESSENTIAL ARTICLES CONTROL AND REQUISITIONING (TEMPORARY POWERS) AMENDMENT BILL, 1958.

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg leave to introduce the Madras Essential Articles Control and Requisitioning (Temporary Powers) Amendment Bill, 1958.